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Words Of Father O'Hara (now Bishop) To President Roosevelt,
On the Occasion of the President's Visit
to Notre Dame to Receive the Honorary
Degree of Doctor of Laws,
December 9, 1935.

"To you, Mr. President, we cannot adequately express the gratitude we feel for your goodness in turning aside from weighty duties to be with us today. Notre Dame is a home as well as a school; and what is called the Notre Dame Spirit emanates from this home that is a school and this school that is a home. We welcome you, Mr. President, to the family of Notre Dame. . . . And we do not forget that you began your administration with prayer. You share in our prayers, our family prayers.

Concluding Words of the President's Response.

"And so let me say as I leave you that I am happy to be here today, that I am proud of the great distinction which you have conferred upon me. And may I tell you that I was more touched than by anything else by that word of the President of Notre Dame when he said I will be in your prayers. I appreciate that and I TRUST THAT I MAY BE IN YOUR PRAYERS."

A most distinguished member of our family is dead. The last word spoken by President Roosevelt directly to the students and other members of the Notre Dame family was "prayers." No one should fail to keep the trust the President placed in our prayers. Each student should offer ONE MASS and COMMUNION for the repose of his soul and do it TOMORROW, if it has not been done already.

Every Mass and Communion offered will help realize that prayer of hope said Sunday at the Memorial Services at the Memorial Entrance of the church:

"May the Angels lead him into Paradise. May the Martyrs receive him at Christ's coming, and take him to Jerusalem the holy city. May the Angels receive him, and may he with the once poor Lazarus, have rest everlasting."

War Casualties.
(deceased)

Sgt. Patrick Maschke, '44, Tyrone, Pa.; Capt. George W. Ball, '36, Caledonia, N.Y.; Lieut. Philip P. DiCrocco, '39, Stapleton, S.I.N.Y.; Pfc. George G. Birmingham, ex. '45, Sioux City, Iowa; Lieut. Richard P. Lambert, '46, Argo, Ill.; Lieut. Louis J. Bemish, '39, Rochester, N.Y.; Lieut. John K. Wolff, ex. '44, Raleigh, N.C.; Lieut. Leo W. Shields, '41, Salt Lake City, Utah; Lieut. John E. Chevigny, '31, Hammond, Ind.; Capt. Leo S. Hillebrand, Jr., '41, Toledo, Ohio; Corp. Dewey C. Mann, ex. '43, South Bend, Ind.; Capt. Joseph R. Schroeder, '31, Minneapolis, Minn.; Cpl. Eugene M. Zupko, '44, Perth Amboy, N.J.

PRAYERS: (deceased) brother of Julian Mahany (St. Eds) killed in action.
(Ill) mother of Ralph Hayman (Mission House); Pfc. Jim Favret, ex. '46, wounded;
BILL CALLEN (ST. EDS), PRESIDENT OF THE VETERANS CLUB, WAS SERIOUSLY INJURED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT SUNDAY NIGHT.